



The LINK

NOVEMBER 2023



Please check our website for changes regarding any posted events.

**On Sunday, November 5th
Please join us as we will honor the lives of:**

*Deborah Abraham
Howard John Daenzer Sr
David Alan Davert
Pauline "Paulie" Egner
Carole Forster
Richard L. Keiger
Genevieve "Gene" Krysiak
Michael Lafferty
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Simone Marevoet
Gregory Marlin
Elaine Matthews*

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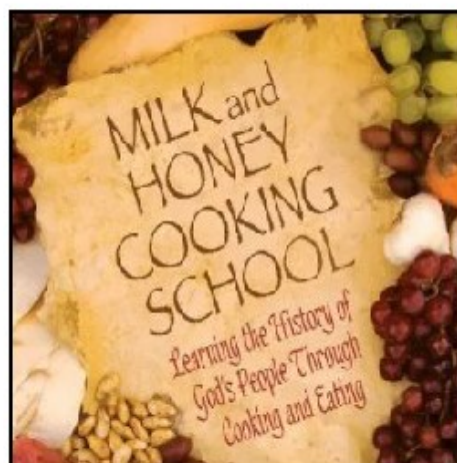


Memories

I feel a warmth around me
like your presence is so near,
And I close my eyes to visualize
your face when you were here,
I endure the times we spent together
and they are locked inside my heart,
For as long as I have those memories
we will never be apart,
Even though we cannot speak no more
my voice is always there,
Because every night before I sleep
I have you in my prayer.

~ Author : © Louise Bailey





SAVE THE DATES!

*Wednesday 11/1
&
Wednesday 11/29*

Gathered for Grace Remaining Events

Milk & Honey Cooking School November 1st

TWO seatings: 4:00-5:30 & 6:00-7:30, RSVP ASAP to the office!

Bible stories in fellowship and food.

Fleece & Thank You November 29th

6:00 Meal and (simple) Hands-on Mission Project

We will be joined by other area United Methodist Churches!



**FLEECE
& THANK YOU**

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A few more details about “Gathered for Grace Events” Milk and Honey Cooking School

We hope you have marked your calendar for November 1st and November 29th to join with our church family in two special meals. Both events will be unique and have their own theme which I would like to describe further!

First, on **November 1^s**, we are **NOT** asking you to cook anything though the name of the event is, “Milk and Honey Cooking School”. What we **WILL** be doing is cooking in front of you and serving you! The meal will “combine Scripture references, historical and cultural tidbits and ...the hospitality traditions of the lands of the Middle East”. We hope you leave with a full stomach and greater knowledge of God’s people from the First Testament period to the New Testament period!

Fleece and Thank You

Second, on **November 29th** we will have soup, salad and bread with our Methodist friends from other local congregations! Following our meal we will tie the knots in fleece blankets that will be donated to several local Childrens’ Hospitals. We are working with a great non-profit called *Fleece and Thank you!*

Both events are for everyone! We would love to have all ages join us! If the food on the menu is a struggle for any young ones, we are happy to find some chicken nuggets and serve those up as well!

Come To The Table

**Come to the table,
All who are able
Come to the table of the Lord.**



Food Donation Ministry for Community Meals

On Sunday, November 26th, as a part of our Come to the Table theme, we will have an ingathering of food items for our Community Meal pantry (see list of requested items on the next page). The scripture that morning is Acts 11:1-15, where Peter and Cornelius (a Roman centurion) have been improbably brought together by God's Spirit in table fellowship. Part of what brought them together was a vision given to Peter:

He saw the heaven opened and something like a large sheet coming down, being lowered to the ground by its four corners. In it were all kinds of four-footed creatures and reptiles and birds of the air. Then he heard a voice saying, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But Peter said, "By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is profane or unclean." The voice said to him again, a second time, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane."

As our own visual for that morning, we will have a sheet on the chancel (in front of the altar) where you will be invited to leave your offerings of food. We hope to have a grand display of our congregation's generosity and a visual reminder of our commitment to our Community Meal and the fellowship and service it provides.

If you have specific questions in terms of the food listed, please contact Trudy Carney at 248-320-4809.

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COMMUNITY MEALS ANNUAL FUNDRAISER AND FOOD COLLECTION

Community Meals currently provides 140 meals Monday nights from 5:30 to 6:00 pm. These meals are provided through donation of money and food. Currently, with the increased cost of food and packaging, the cost of providing meals is an average \$375 a night.

Items need are:

Cut Green Beans (canned)
Bottled Tomato Ketchup
Spaghetti Sauce
Spaghetti Noodles
Pineapple Tidbits
Cream of Chicken Soup
Beef or Chicken Gravy

Baked Beans
Beets, diced
Diced Tomatoes
Diced Peaches
Tomato Soup
Elbow Macaroni
Kidney Beans

Cream of Mushroom Soup
Grated Parmesan Cheese
Tropical Fruit (NOT individual size)
Mandarin Oranges (NOT individual size)
Zip Lock Sandwich or Gallon Sized Bags

Commercial size cans are helpful.

Please place on wire rack in Fellowship Hall.

Gift cards for Gordon's and Costco are welcome!



Community Meal

Memorials:

Since our last All Saint's Sunday monetary memorial gifts have been given in memory of many who have been a special part of the LOUMC family over the years. These gifts have either been designated to benefit specific ministries such as Community Meals, Music, utilities or undesignated contributions which have assisted in the purchase of communion chalices, tablecloths and laptops. The Memorial Committee wishes to acknowledge the following individuals who we recognize their memory through memorial gifts:

Norman Binger
Viola Cater
Howard Daenzer
Dave Davert
Diana Deaton
Bruce Denton
Paulie Egner
Willie Green
Dee Harmon
John Horn
Eric Keller
Elaine Matthews
Robert McInnis
Patti Miechels
Robert Nelson
Linda Nixon

Don Northcote
Teresa Orr
Janet Roberts
Elizabeth Rose
Janet Salswadel
David Schlicht
Barry Schwerin
Lynn Sheldon
Carol Stark
Lee Umpstead
David Walker
Charlene Watson
Marian Wik
Wilfred & Phyllis Wiseman
Jim Wright

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Scriptures of Thankfulness

1. Psalm 107:1
2. 1 Chron. 29:13
3. Daniel 2:23
4. Psalm 95:2-3
5. Phil. 4:6
6. Philemon 1:4
7. Psalm 100:4
8. Isaiah 12:4
9. 1 Thess. 5:18
10. Psalm 106:1
11. Colossians 3:16
12. Hebrews 12:28
13. Psalm 118-1-8
14. Psalm 69:30
15. Psalm 105:1
16. Colossians 4:2
17. Psalm 28:7
18. Revelation 7:12
19. Jeremiah 33:11
20. Ephesians 5:20
21. Colossians 3:15
22. Jonah 2:9
23. Rev. 4:9-11
24. Luke 22:19
25. Psalm 75:1
26. Daniel 6:10
27. Psalm 136:1-3
28. 2 Cor. 1:11
29. Psalm 30:12
30. Rev. 11:17

F A L L S E R M O N S E R I E S

— COME TO THE —

T A B L E

10/29

Luke 19:1-10
Zacchaeus

11/5

Isaiah 25:1-9

Banquet on Mountain

- All Saints Day

11/12

Luke 14:1-15

Banquet of the Kingdom

11/19

John 13:1-15

Foot Washing at the Table

11/26

Acts 11:1-15

Cornelius & Peter @ the Table

“MADE”

Music and Drama for Everyone

What wonderful music and drama was presented by our children and a few awesome adults a few weeks ago! The group had such a fun time preparing the musical presentation of, “I Can Not Come to the Banquet”! Our presenters did such a great job! (See photos next page!)

“MADE” will begin again, Tuesday, November 28th at 4:30 p.m. and continue for the next two weeks on Tuesday, December 4th and 11th. Those participating will present, ***“What is Advent Anyway”*** on December 17th.



Lake Orion Lighted Christmas Parade and LOUMC

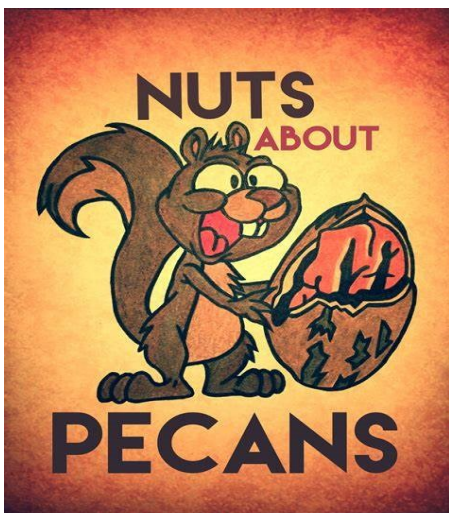
On December 3rd, come and watch the Christmas parade from the comfort of our church! We will provide hot cocoa, cookies, a place to stay warm.

***The theme this year for the parade is
“Christmas at the Movies”!
More details will be coming soon!***

“M A D E “ performance 10/15/2023

**MUSIC AND DRAMA FOR EVERYONE: This is
"MADE"**





The Nuts Are Coming Back!!!

It's that time again folks, Stuckey's has joined forces with the two largest pecan companies in the nation. They are honoring our past patronage, and is offering us options with our annual fundraising nut sale this year.

Potential for online orders shipped directly to you (*details coming in the weekly All Church Emails once we have them*). Of course,

you can still see Gayle Cater and Ardis Pearce (our head nuts!) for orders, but we are still waiting to see what prices will be - they are supposed to be the same or a small increase from year's past, but it's too early to publish the info right now. As soon as we have it, we will pass it along to you.

So stay tuned, the nuts are coming for the holidays!!!

In the past, we've ordered: Pecan Halves, Toasted and Salted Fancy Pecans, Milk Chocolate Covered Pecan Halves, Salted Cashew, English Walnuts, Gourmet Mixed Nuts (toasted and salted, no peanuts). We hope to have these and more options for you.



HANGING OF THE GREENS



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Friday, December 1st @ 6 p.m. please come and help decorate our church for the Christmas Holiday. We need people to help with the Christmas tree, hang the roping, candles in the windows, etc. Worship and the Arts welcomes your help and will celebrate with a pizza party afterwards. Watch the weekly all church email for details.



*Hanging
of the Greens*



All Saints Sunday

Weekly Events:

Sunday

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour (FH)

11:30am Adult Bible Study

Monday

9am-3pm Sunny Days

10:30am BibleStudy(Sh-106)

5:30-6:30pm In person

Community Meals

Tuesday

10:30am Sermon Study

7:00pm Choir Practice

Wednesday

8am Local Business LBN

9am-3pm Sunny Days

10am Hallelujah Handbells

Thursday

7:30am Rotary Club

10-11am -Mom & Tot

12pm--3pm Sunny Days

Friday

9am-12pm Sunny Days

Office Closes at noon

Daily

8 PM-Narcotics Anon (123)

November

Sun

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Tue



5 All Saints Sunday

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ZOOM-SPRC
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Charge Conf
@ Oxford
UMC 1:30

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Paint Creek 4-H
7pm



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Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Gathered for Grace Dinner	2	3	4 8am Johnny Black's UMM 
8 	9 UMWF—10am  United Women in Faith	10	11
15  10am Book Club Lunch & Learn Zoom	16 N/A 6pm Finance Zoom 7pm	17	18
22	23 	24 Black Friday Office Closed	25
29 Gathered for Grace Dinner	30	December 1 Hanging of the Greens	December 2 LO Parade Cocoa & Cookies

Contributions Welcome!

Sign up sheets are available posted in the hallway **NEXT** to the church office. The fee for altar flowers is \$30 for the arrangement and you take the flowers home with you to enjoy following the service.

There are also sign up sheets for Steeple lighting for \$10 a week, which helps with the electric utility bill; and livestream which pays for the broadcast of the worship services, by the week for \$30 or \$100 for the month.

We appreciate those who assist us in creating a welcoming sanctuary.

Thanks for those who have chosen to decorate our church with the altar flowers and other gifts:

October 1st –Livestreaming given for the entire month by Brad and Patty Smiles in honor of the celebration of the 25th anniversary on October 17th.

October 1st - Altar flowers given in honor and memory of Phyllis Paradee's birthday. Given by Sid Paradee.

October 8th - Altar flowers given in honor and celebration of my younger son's Jason's birthday October 11th. Given by Martha Northcote.

October 1st - Steeple Lighting given in honor and celebration the life of Chris Egner.

October 8th - Steeple lighting given in honor and celebration of Bill Olson's 87th birthday.

And a Very Special Thank You to those who gave anonymously to these funds.



Important Dates



Charge Conference - November 19th at Oxford UMC @ 1:30 pm. All paperwork is due by October 30th as it has to be submitted 2 weeks in advance of conference to go to District Superintendent. Please turn in your paperwork asap so we can be completed on time.

Gathered in Grace Dinner 2 seatings 4:00 and 6:00. Contact the office to secure a seat. November 1st

Don't forget - Sunday, November 5th. The first Sunday in November is All Saints Day when we will honor those who have passed away the previous year.

Gathered in Grace Dinner 6:00. Contact the office to secure a seat. November 29th.

Hanging of the Greens, Friday December 2nd @ 6 p.m. followed by pizza as we help Worship & the Arts decorate the church.

Christmas Lighted Parade is Saturday, December 2nd. Theme this year is "Christmas at the Movies". Join us for cocoa and cookies!



HOW TO MAKE CHARITABLE GIFTS WITH AN IRA

For IRA owners that are 70.5 or older, an easy way to make the donation and get a tax break is by making a qualified charitable donation (QCD) from a traditional IRA. The tax break only applies if you're 70.5 or older on the date of the charitable transfer. The maximum allowed is \$100,000 per year of the total IRA balance. There are three main tax benefits of a QCD. They are not taxable. The amount donated is not included in your taxable income. This may help mitigate surcharges on your future Medicare premiums. They also count toward your minimum distribution requirement.

Only transfers from the IRA directly to charity are considered a QCD. Most IRA custodians will require you to complete a form detailing the amount of donation and the Name – address of the organization. Usually, the custodian will send the check directly to the charity. It is helpful to contact the charity and let them know “check is in the mail” which can help provide acknowledgement or a receipt. Recognize that you cannot also insert the charitable distribution on Schedule A. That would be double dipping.

Don't wait until the last minute if you are eligible to do this in 2023. It takes a bit more time for this process to occur. The check must be received by the charity by December 31.

The 1099-R you receive early next year won't reflect the QCD. The 1099-R will only show the total amount of distributions from the IRA during the year. When filling out the tax return during tax season, you include the total distribution on line 4a of the 1040. Then subtract the QCD amount and report the remainder, even if zero, on line 4b and insert “QCD” next to line 4b. If tax software is used for the return preparation, the QCD will automatically be printed on the form.

NAMI Metro SUPPORT GROUP

Adult discussion group for family member(s) or friend (s) of someone diagnosed with a mental illness. Share challenges and support each other. Learn about resources to get additional help. You're not alone. **Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month via ZOOM.**



To register: desteffes@charter.net

Contact Debbie or Bryan Thom if you have any questions. 248.762.1141 or bryandebthom@gmail.com

NAMI – National Alliance on Mental Illness

<http://namimetro.org/>



ARE YOU A WIDOW OR A WIDOWER?

Join us! We meet every Tuesday at Collier Lanes in Oxford at noon. Come bowl or go out for lunch!



For more information call
Joe (248) 693-2454 or
Nadine (248) 475-9036

Halloween in the Hallways Fun

October 21st









*Our Thoughts and Prayers are
With You...*



***Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of
our families and friends.***

About People

Jyl Acker, Sharon Anton, Helen Barnes, Chloe Booth, Ruth Carlson, Linda Carpenter, Sally Dugas, Bob and Sue Erickson, David and Linda Fairchild, Virginia Ford, Susan Houle, Marilyn Joul, Janine Langegger, Joy Makedonsky, Maxine McManus, Sandy McSwain, Edward Naylor, Faye Nordquist, Pat Parkin, Sherry Reseigh, Randy Riley, Bill Stark, Laurie Trafton, Roger Waite, Ross Waite, Don White, Kathy Young, Community Meals Family, LOUMC Family Members & Friends.

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We at **Lake Orion United Methodist Church (LOUMC)**
are a diverse, inclusive, caring, and Christ-like community.

Our mission is to connect people to God, one another, and the world,
through engaging worship, ongoing spiritual development, intergenera-
tional family ministries, relational mission, and joyful stewardship.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE & LIVESTREAM WORSHIP 10:00 AM
www.lakeorionumc.org

ELEVATOR available at the Slater Street entrance

OFFICE HOURS: Mondays –Thursdays: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

FRIDAYS: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Office Closed Friday afternoons

LINK DEADLINE: November 15th for December 2023 LINK

Call the church office if you would like to be taken off the mailing list.

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